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* **IN THE HIGH COURT OF DELHI AT NEW DELHI**

\+ **W.P.(C) 1475/2001**

S.N.BHARDWAJ ADVOCATE ..... Petitioner

versus

ARCHCOLOGICAL SURVEY OF INDIA ..... Respondent

\+ **W.P.(C) 2193/2001, CM Nos. 3797/2001, 5407/2001, 5880/2001 and 6793/2001**

GRAMJAN VIKAS SANGATHAN ..... Petitioner

versus

NCT OF DELHI & ORS ..... Respondents

Through: Mr. Rajeev Saxena and Mr. R.B.Singh, Advs. for the petitioners
Mr. Sanjeev Narula, CGSC for UOI/ASI with Mr. Abhishek Ghai, Advocate
Mr.Sanjeev Sabharwal, Mr. Dhanesh Relan, Ms. Akshita Manocha and Mr. Hem Kumar, Advs. for DDA
Mr. Naushad Ahmed Khan, ASC (Civil), GNCTD with Mr. Manzar Anis, Advocate
SI Jitendra Kumar, PS Govind Puri

CORAM:
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE S. RAVINDRA BHAT
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE YOGESH KHANNA

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This Court has been apprised of the previous orders made in these proceedings as well as the judgment of the Supreme Court dated 04.02.2016

holding that the area within the precincts of the Tughlaqabad Fort and in its immediate vicinity shall be protected under the Ancient Monuments and Archaeological Sites and Remains Act, 1958.

The history of these proceedings reveal that the authorities have struggled to ensure that the monument retains its identity and is encroachment-free. The order of the Supreme Court as well as the previous orders of this Court are categorical, in that the status quo as existing in the year 1993, with respect to the individuals living within the walls of the Fort have to be maintained for the time being and that the subsequent encroachments have to be dealt with appropriately by means of demolition etc.

Re-notify on 24th May, 2017 for orders.

S. RAVINDRA BHAT, J

YOGESH KHANNA, J

APRIL 19, 2017
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